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1. LETTER TO LANDE FROM SHUKLA REFERRING TO LIBERALIZATION OF IMPORT REGULATIONS ON MACHINERY PARTS AND ALMONDS RECEIVED BY EMBASSY FEBRUARY 24 AFTERNOON. IT DESCRIBES GOI'S ACTIONS BY REFERRING, IN FIRST INSTANCE, TO SECTION ON SPARE PARTS IMPORTS IN GOVERNMENT'S IMPORT TRADE CONTROL POLICY STATEMENT FOR APRIL 1977 - MARCH 1978 (AND CONTRASTING SECTION IN POLICY STATEMENT FOR APRIL 1975 - MARCH 1976); AND BY REFERENCE TO FEBRUARY 14 PUBLIC NOTICE ON "BULKING" ALMOND IMPORTS, THE TEXT OF WHICH IT ENCLOSES.

2. THE TEXT OF SHUKLA'S LETTER FOLLOWS.

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3. QUOTE DEAR MR. LANDE, APROPOS OUR DISCUSSIONS EARLY THIS MONTH, I AM ENCLOSING COPIES OF THE IMPORT TRADE CONTROL POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FOR THE YEARS 1975-76 AND 1977-78 AND OF RELEVANT PUBLIC NOTICE ISSUED BY THE CHIEF CONTROLLER OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA. THESE RELATE TO THE CHANGES IN THE IMPORT POLICY OF SPARE PARTS WHICH INCLUDES PARTS

OF EQUIPMENT FOR GAS AND OIL DRILLING WELLS, AND OF DRY, SALTED OR PRESERVED FRUITS WHICH INCLUDES ALMONDS.

4. THE CHANGES MADE IN RESPECT OF THE IMPORT POLICY OF SPARE PARTS WOULD BE APPARENT WHEN PART D OF SECTION 1 (PAGES 7 TO 9) OF THE IMPORT TRADE CONTROL POLICY FOR APRIL 1977 TO MARCH, 1978 IS READ WITH PART C OF SECTION 1 (PAGES 7-8) OF THE POLICY FOR THE YEAR 1975-76.

5. THE IMPORT POLICY OF DRY FRUITS WAS LIBERALISED IN MARCH, 1977. THIS LIBERALISATION WAS FORMALLY INCLUDED IN THE IMPORT TRADE CONTROL POLICY OF 1977-78 (SEE ITEM 24 OF APPENDIX II ON PAGE 118). THEREAFTER TWO PUBLIC NOTICES RELATING TO THE SAME SUBJECT HAVE BEEN ISSUED ON 27.12.1977 AND 17.2.1978. A COPY EACH OF THESE NOTICES, WHICH ARE SELF-EXPLANATORY, ARE ENCLOSED. END QUOTE.

6. THE TEXT OF IMPORT TRADE NOTICE OF FEBRUARY 17, ENTITLED IMPORT OF DRY FRUITS AND DATES UNDER FREE LICENSING SCHEME BY CONTAINER SERVICE, FOLLOWS:

7. QUOTE: IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED TO THE TRADE THAT, THERE IS NO PROVISION FOR ISSUE OF INDIVIDUAL LETTER OF AUTHORITY UNDER THE FREE LICENSING SCHEME. HOWEVER, IT HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO THE NOTICE OF THE GOVERNMENT THAT IMPORTING IN SMALL CONSIGNMENTS ON ROUTES WHERE CONTAINER FACILITIES ARE AVAILABLE IN OCEAN GOING VESSELS, RESULTS IN AVOIDABLE EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE ON ACCOUNT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OF DOCUMENTATION, PACKING AND FREIGHT CHARGES ETC. IN SUCH SMALL IMPORTS. IN ORDER TO ENABLE THE COUNTRY TO EFFECT IMPORTS AT ECONOMIC COST IN SUCH CASES, THE LICENCE HOLDERS CONCERNED ARE ALLOWED TO BULK THEIR IMPORTS ORIGINATING FROM THE SAME SOURCE/PORT OF SHIPMENT, THROUGH CONTAINERS.

8. THE CUSTOMS AUTHORITIES HAVE ALSO BEEN ADVISED TO CLEAR SUCH IMPORTS MADE THROUGH CONTAINER SYSTEM WITHOUT INSISTING ON PRODUCTION OF LETTERS OF AUTHORITY FROM EACH OF THE INDIVIDUAL IMPORTERS PARTICIPATING IN A SAME CONTAINER MOVEMENT. END QUOTE.

9. THE PUBLIC NOTICE OF DECEMBER 27, 1977, RAISED THE MAXIMUM LIMIT ON LICENSES FOR DRY FRUITS AND DATES FROM RS. 10,000 TO RS. 50,000.

10. EMBASSY ASSUMES COPIES OF THE TWO ANNUAL IMPORT TRADE CONTROL POLICY STATEMENTS REFERRED TO BY SHUKLA ARE AVAILABLE TO STAY IN WASHINGTON.

11. ORIGINAL OF SHUKLA'S LETTER AND ATTACHED NOTICES, ALONG WITH COPIES OF PERTINENT SECTIONS OF IMPORT TRADE CONTROL POLICY STATEMENTS ARE BEING FORWARDED TO LANDE.

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